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Applicants: Morten REESLEV et al.
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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PTO-1449 FORM

Sir:

In response to the Office communication dated February 9, 2011, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In particular the communication states that the IDS submitted on January 28, 2011 is a duplicate of the IDS submitted on August 31, 2006, which was considered by the Examiner on October 15, 2008 and therefore has not been reconsidered.

However, as explained in the Supplemental IDS filed on December 5, 2006, the publication dates of EP 0122581 and EP 0574977 were incorrect on the IDS submitted on August 31, 2006, which was considered by the Examiner on October

15, 2008. The publication dates were corrected on the PTO-1449 submitted on December 5, 2006 (and resubmitted on January 28, 2011), which has not been considered by the Examiner.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge the PTO-1449 Form submitted on December 5, 2006 (and resubmitted on January 28, 2011). A copy of the Form PTO-1449 is attached.

CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,
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